

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 1996 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL III

*** SAFETY COMES FIRST ON EVERY FIRE, EVERY TIME ***

CURRENT SITUATION: Strong winds caused extreme fire behavior increasing activity in the Great Basin and Rocky Mountain Areas yesterday. The Western Great Basin committed a Type I Incident Management Team. Resource mobilization through NICC increased considerably. A Type I and two Type II Incident Management Teams were ordered through NICC for the Rocky Mountain and Eastern Great Basin Areas.

Eastern Great Basin Large Fires:

A National Area Command Team (Caplinger) is assigned to the Richfield District, BLM and Fishlake NF.

TANK, Utah State. A Type II Incident Management Team has been ordered. The fire is burning a half mile southeast of Orem, UT. No further information was available.

STERLING, Uinta NF. This fire is burning 5 miles south of Spanish Fork, UT. Acreage change is due to remapping. Current operation problems are steep, rocky terrain and major powerlines that supply power to Utah and southern California. High winds prevented helicopters from being able to make water drops yesterday.

LEAMINGTON COMPLEX, Richfield District, BLM. A Type I Incident Management Team (Richer) and a Type II Incident Management Team (Sisk) is assigned. The complex consists of 5 fires within a 25 square mile area north of Leamington, UT. Four of the five fires in the complex have burned together. Explosive fire behavior occurred in sage and pinyon-juniper fuels due to strong winds. Seventy to eighty powerline poles have burned, gas lines are also a concern. Many structures and a turkey farm were saved yesterday.

ADELAIDE COMPLEX, Fishlake NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Shive) is assigned. The fires are burning in sagebrush, oak, mountain mahogany and pinyon-juniper 5 miles southeast of Kanosh, UT. Scattered structures have been evacuated. The complex consists of the ADALAIDE and DOG MOUNTAIN fires. Control problems are steep terrain, poor access and high winds.

HONEY BOY, Cedar City District, BLM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Martin) is assigned. Mining buildings and electronic sites are threatened by this fire burning 5 miles southeast of Milford, UT. The fire has worked its way into steep and rugged terrain along the summit of the Mineral Mountains. High winds hampered suppression efforts.

NORTH STANSBURY COMPLEX, Salt Lake District, BLM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Casey) is assigned. This complex is located 12 miles northwest of Grantsville, UT. The LIME, TIMPIE and TEDDY BEARS fires are

included in this complex. The Teddy Bears fire was extremely active, making a run 3 miles to the northeast and over a mile to the west northwest. Resources continue to be ordered for the Teddy Bears fire, while the Lime and Timpie fires remained within containment lines and should be controlled today. Threats are to powerlines, a chlorine gas plant and a communications site. CAMP FLOYD, Utah State. This fire is located 4 miles southwest of Fairfield, UT. No new information was received.

PILOT, Salt Lake District, BLM. This fire is located 36 miles north of Wendover, UT. Handcrews made good progress despite high winds, which shut down helicopter operations. One spot fire was detected outside of the fireline.

Three fires are in a confinement suppression strategy totalling 3,214 acres.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	SSS C-T-D
TANK	UTS	UT	300	0	8/10	43	1	0	1	0	NR	NR
STERLING	UIF	UT	97	20	8/6	190	8	3	1	0	70K	65K
LEAMINGTON CPLX	RID	UT	100,000	10	8/12	248	7	8	2	0	NR	213K
ADELAIDE CPLX	FIF	UT	6,800	0	UNK	403	12	13	2	0	NR	298K
HONEY BOY	CCD	UT	7,650	25	UNK	310	10	9	5	2	NR	550K
N STANSBURY CPX	FIF	UT	8,915	20	UNK	268	11	11	3	0	NR	601K
CAMP FLOYD	UTS	UT	5,010	95	8/6	44	2	1	0	3	NR	NR
LYNN	STF	ID	1,775	100	---	13	1	1	0	0	NR	NR
PILOT	SLD	UT	1,200	95	8/6	108	3	8	1	0	6K	85K

Western Great Basin Large Fires:

BELLI RANCH, Nevada State. A Type II Incident Management Team (Dondero) is assigned. A Type I Incident Management Team (Birch) has been ordered and will assume responsibility this morning. This fire has damaged several structures and destroyed one outbuilding on the western edge of Reno, NV. Voluntary evacuations of several subdivisions are underway. Strong, gusty winds from the passing frontal system led to extreme rates of spread. The fire is burning on the Toiyabe NF and State and Private land under the Nevada Division of Forestry protection. Initial attack and structural protection resources were mobilized from every cooperative agency along the Sierra Front yesterday, with reinforcements expected to arrive this morning.

DIVISION, Elko District, BLM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Vorce) is assigned. This fire is located 55 miles northeast of Wells, NV. Good progress was reported on fire, despite the winds yesterday. Threats remain to wildlife habitat, livestock, watershed and recreational values.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	SSS C-T-D
BELLI RANCH	NVS	NV	6,000	10	UNK	451	10	65	4	1	NR	NR
DIVISION	EKD	NV	27,600	65	8/7	424	11	6	2	17	NR	350K

Rocky Mountain Large Fires:

O'PINION COMPLEX, Craig District, BLM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Summerfelt) is assigned. The fires in this complex are burning in pinion/juniper, sagebrush, grass and bitterbrush approximately 60 miles west of Craig, CO. The complex consists of the O'PINION and ROUGH GULCH fires. High velocity winds pushed the O'Pinion fire about 5 miles yesterday. Contingencies are being developed to shut down a powerline, evacuate incident base and provide structure protection for the town of Maybell. The Rough Gulch fire was quiet. WEST PASS, Big Horn NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Hart) is assigned. The fire is burning in heavy spruce and fir 20 miles west of Ranchester, WY. Threats are to private land and one structure. Heavy fuels, steep terrain and spotting are causing control problems. High winds limited helicopter use on the fire yesterday. Decrease in acreage was due to remapping.

MURPHY RIDGE/BEAR CREEK COMPLEX, Medicine Bow NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Wands) has been ordered. These fires have burned into large areas of bug killed timber about 60 miles north of Laramie, WY. Each fire is approximate 2,000 acres and are burning within a few miles of each other. No other information was available.

PERSISTANT, Dinosaur NM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Gauger) has been ordered. No other information received.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	SSS
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
O'PINION COMPLX	CRD	CO	10,000	25	8/7	176	6	10	2	2	NR	123K
WEST PASS	BHF	WY	600	70	8/6	377	12	8	4	0	NR	915K
MURPHY/BEAR CPX	MBF	WY	4,000	0	UNK	70	0	20	0	0	NR	NR
PERSISTANT	DSP	CO	500	0	UNK	11	0	0	2	0	NR	NR
GILLSONITE	CRD	CO	300	0	8/7	45	2	3	0	0	NR	NR
BEAR CANYON	GJD	CO	122	100	---	75	4	1	2	0	NR	NR
WILLIAMS DRAW	CAD	WY	200	100	---	52	1	9	0	0	NR	NR
PYRAMID	RAD	WY	200	100	---	79	3	3	1	0	NR	NR
ADAM	CRD	CO	240	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	NR	NR

Southwest Large Fires:

LANCELOT II, Grand Canyon NP. A Type II Incident Management Team (Anderson) has been ordered. This fire is burning in moderate to heavy fuels on the North Rim of the Grand Canyon. The fire made major runs yesterday afternoon. The helispot at the south end of the fire was jeopardized and all personnel were immediately evacuated.

Two fires are in a confinement suppression strategy totalling 19,736 acres.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	SSS
				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
LANCELOT II	GCP	AZ	200	UNK	UNK	61	1	1	2	0	NR	NR

Northern Rockies Large Fires:

BAUER, Fort Peck Agency, BIA. This fire is burning in grass. No other information was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	SSS C-T-D
BAUER	FPA	MT	1,000	95	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
CRAIGMONT CPLX	IDL	ID	1,200	100	---	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR

IDL = Idaho State Department of Lands

Southern California Large Fires:

STUMPFIELD, Madera-Mariposa Ranger Unit, California State. This fire is burning 2 miles southeast of Mariposa, CA. No new information received.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	SSS C-T-D
STUMPFIELD	MMU	CA	2,770	85	8/6	1,530	51	116	4	6	1.1M	1.9M

Northwest Large Fires:

SALT CREEK, Wallowa-Whitman NF. This prescribed natural fire is burning in grass and scattered timber on benches of the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area. A prescribed natural fire manager is monitoring the fire. This will be the last report unless significant activity occurs.

One fire is in a confinement suppression strategy totalling 740 acres.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	EST LOSS	SSS C-T-D
SALT CREEK	WWF	OR	2,300	UNK	UNK	1	0	0	0	0	NR	NR
BOX CANYON	OCF	OR	550	100	---	126	4	16	1	0	NR	100K

Alaska Large Fires: Twenty-four fires are in a non-suppression status totalling 458,305 acres.

OUTLOOK:

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED IN ***
 *** NORTHWEST COLORADO FOR DRY LIGHTNING AND GUSTY WINDS ***

An upper level trough will remain over the Western United States. A weakening cold front will extend from central Colorado across southern Utah and into southern Nevada. Breezy conditions will be in the vicinity of the cold front with the possibility of dry lightning in northern Colorado. High pressure will be building in the Pacific Northwest bringing warmer conditions. A few light showers are possible in the Northern Rockies. High temperatures will range from the 60's and 70's in the Pacific Northwest and Northern Rockies, to the 80's and 90's from southern California to southern Colorado and up to 110 in the desert Southwest. Increased fire activity is expected with breezy conditions and dry lightning in the forecast.

FIRES: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA							0
NORTHWEST					1	3	4
CA-NORTHERN	0				22	5	27
CA-SOUTHERN		2			29	3	34
NORTHERN	1					10	11
GB-EASTERN		10			4	4	18
GB-WESTERN						2	2
SOUTHWEST				4	1	10	15
ROCKY MTN		8				6	14
EASTERN							0
SOUTHERN					21	2	23
USA	1	20	0	4	78	45	148

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA							0
NORTHWEST					0	5	5
CA-NORTHERN	0				168	13	181
CA-SOUTHERN		160			206	2,770	3,136
NORTHERN	1,120					4	1,124
GB-EASTERN		4,686			503	1	5,190
GB-WESTERN						6,000	6,000
SOUTHWEST				208	0	47	255
ROCKY MTN		420				4,001	4,001
EASTERN							0
SOUTHERN					316	2	318
USA	1,120	5,266	0	208	1,193	12,843	20,630

RESOURCE STATUS: Committed Resources

RESOURCE	CREWS		ENGINES		HELICPTR		AIRTANKER		OVERHEAD	
	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON	FED	NON
ALASKA										
NORTHWEST	12		25		7				227	
CA-NORTHERN	13	6	5	20	2		1			10
CA-SOUTHERN	5		22		5					
NORTHERN	2		3	1	5					
GB-EASTERN	51	7	75	12	29				268	23
GB-WESTERN	19	8	55	17	6	3	5		126	60
SOUTHWEST	4		10		3				4	
ROCKY MTN	29	1	62	42	12		5		112	31

EASTERN										
SOUTHERN										
USA	135	22	257	92	69	3	11	0	749	124

FED = FEDERAL AND FEDERAL CONTRACT RESOURCES

NON = NON FEDERAL RESOURCES

NR = No report.

FIRES: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	6	46	30	6	535	17	640
NORTHWEST	147	202	9	14	843	561	1,776
CA-NORTHERN	35	42	1	16	1,452	425	1,971
CA-SOUTHERN	7	275	2	65	2,863	647	3,859
NORTHERN	645	45	45	15	299	543	1,592
GB-EASTERN	44	536		15	280	404	1,279
GB-WESTERN		489	3	46	77	129	744
SOUTHWEST	1,041	224	13	74	1,274	1,685	4,311
ROCKY MTN	692	713		38	682	429	2,554
EASTERN	244			61	11,707	334	12,346
SOUTHERN	77		103	79	46,508	1,138	47,905
USA	2,938	2,572	206	429	66,520	6,312	78,977
5 YEAR AVERAGE							53,294

ACRES BURNED: Year to date

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	16	204,822	133,560	4,379	256,303	158	599,238
NORTHWEST	5,388	105,689	2,348	3	3,750	4,584	121,762
CA-NORTHERN	124	903	0	366	10,790	5,594	17,777
CA-SOUTHERN	977	33,770	30	2,222	105,177	35,420	177,616
NORTHERN	10,539	2,856	2,954	2	5,830	2,862	25,043
GB-EASTERN	380	582,746		8,118	57,760	26,979	675,983
GB-WESTERN		121,324	602	34	2,555	9,530	134,045
SOUTHWEST	36,364	7,812	3,057	5,037	71,323	206,202	329,795
ROCKY MTN	23,880	21,021		5,057	20,899	34,676	105,533
EASTERN	566			533	153,989	18,420	173,508
SOUTHERN	1,781		30,076	10,892	1,025,924	41,832	1,110,505
USA	80,035	1,080,943	172,627	36,643	1,714,300	386,257	3,470,805
5 YEAR AVERAGE							1,569,918

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	0	0	771	16,758
YUKON TERRITORY	2	0	141	90,659
ALBERTA	0	1	283	1,901
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	337	239,351
SASKATCHEWAN	0	0	360	8,578
MANITOBA	5	0	353	68,792
ONTARIO	14	25,678	1,052	442,361
QUEBEC	31	11,621	981	459,107
NEWFOUNDLAND	29	12,856	99	17,202
NEW BRUNSWICK	6	1	248	1,596
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	234	628
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	23	195
NATIONAL PARKS	1	100	51	15,149
TOTALS	88	50,257	4,933	1,362,277

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

NR = No Report

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